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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: J. Sadula
KOICHI SATO ET AL.)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 1756
Application No.: 10/025,535)	
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Filed: December 26, 2001)	
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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DEVICE)	April 5, 2005

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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Sir:

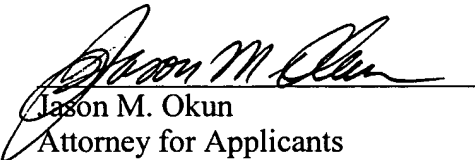
This Statement is filed in response to the Examiner's Interview Summary issued on January 11, 2005 in the above-identified application. The Examiner's Interview Summary summarized a telephonic interview conducted between the Examiner and Applicants' representative on or about January 5, 2005.

On or about January 5, 2005, Applicant's attorney contacted the Examiner to discuss the rejections in the final Office Action dated December 29, 2004. During the interview, the Examiner acknowledged that U.S. Patent Nos. 4,834,509 (Gunjama); 5,437,811 (Doane); and 5,858,268 (Niiyama) have been misapplied in view of the Examiner's interpretation of what is represented by unit "L" in formula (2). Specifically, the Examiner agreed that if L is an end unit and both alkyl and polyoxyalkylene groups are listed to have a substituted -OH or -COOH at an end or a side chain thereof, the present claims are allowable. In that regard, Applicants' attorney

approved an Examiner's amendment to further clarify L in this manner. In view of the approval of the Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner agreed to withdraw the final Office Action and issue a Notice of Allowance.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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